



CITY OF LODI

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO : City Council
FROM : City Manager
MEETING DATE: May 18, 1988
AGENDA TITLE: Approve Adult Crossing Guard for Ham Lane and Vine Street Intersection

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That the City Council approve an adult crossing guard at Ham Lane and Vine Street.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Lodi Unified School District (LUSD) Superintendent, Neil Schmidt, sent the attached letter requesting the Public Works Department study the Ham Lane/Vine Street intersection for an adult crossing guard.

The Ham Lane and Vine Street intersection is controlled by a traffic signal and is adjacent to Senior Elementary Middle School. Currently, there are no student patrols at this intersection.

Staff performed the necessary studies for an adult crossing guard in accordance with the guidelines adopted by Caltrans. The guidelines require that the traffic volume exceed 300 vehicles while at least 40 elementary school pedestrians use the crossing when going to or from school each of any two hours daily.

Staff reviewed the accident records. In the past 3 years and 4 months, there have been 15 reported accidents. Two of these were pedestrian versus vehicle accidents and one accident involved a bicycle and pedestrian.

During the traffic count, staff observed students not using the traffic signal pedestrian buttons and some students walked or rode their bicycles on a red light. The results of the traffic count are as follows:

Location	Type of Control on Major St.	Morning Count		Afternoon Count		Volumes Necessary To Satisfy Warrant		Warrant Satisfied
		VEH	PED*	VEH	PED*	VEH	PED	
Ham/Vine	Signal	956	116	1239	176	300	40	Yes

*NOTE: Student bicyclists were included as pedestrians

APPROVED:

THOMAS A. PETERSON, City Manager

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The City of Lodi's crossing guard agreement with the LUSD states that the City will reimburse the School District for costs of employing school crossing guards if the requisite criteria are met. The primary criterion is the data shall be measured against the warrants of the Traffic Manual published and adopted by Caltrans.

Since this criterion is met and staff feels an adult crossing guard is needed to direct the students, it is recommended the City Council approve an adult crossing guard at Ham Lane and Vine Street.



Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director

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Attachment

cc: Street Superintendent
Police Chief
Neil Schmidt, Superintendent, LUSD
Richard Ferrara, Principal, Senior Elementary School



Lodi Unified School District

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
1300 West Lodi Avenue, Suite P, Lodi, California 95242

April 13, 1988

Mr. Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director
City of Lodi
Call Box 3006
Lodi, CA 95241-1910

Re: Ham Lane and Vine Street - Adult Crossing Guard Study

Dear Mr. Ronsko:

Thank you for your response to our letter of March 21 regarding the above-referenced subject.

The location in question is the south east-west crossing at Ham Lane and Vine Street, and the reason we are requesting the study is because of the heavy use by students of the crosswalk and the large number of vehicles that travel through the intersection. The peak hours of student traffic are 8:15-8:45 a.m. and 3:00-3:30 p.m. The intersection presently has four-way traffic lights. Mr. Rich Ferrara, the principal, is the contact person for the school.

Thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Neil Schmidt
Superintendent

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cc: Mr. Richard Ferrara, Principal of Senior Elementary School

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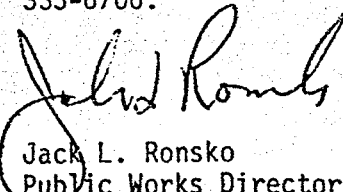
Richard Ferrara, Principal
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SUBJECT: Adult Crossing Guard Study at Ham Lane and Vine Street

Enclosed is a copy of background information on an item that will be discussed at the City Council meeting on Wednesday, May 18, 1988, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the City Council Chamber, 2nd Floor, City Hall, 221 West Pine Street. You are welcome to attend.

We are recommending that a crossing guard be approved and the item has been placed on the consent calendar. There will be no discussion on this item unless you wish to communicate with the City Council. If you wish to speak on this item at the Council meeting, please contact Alice Reimche, City Clerk, telephone 333-6702.

If you have any questions about the item, please call Paula Fernandez at 333-6706.


Jack L. Ronsko
Public Works Director

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Enclosure

bcc: City Clerk